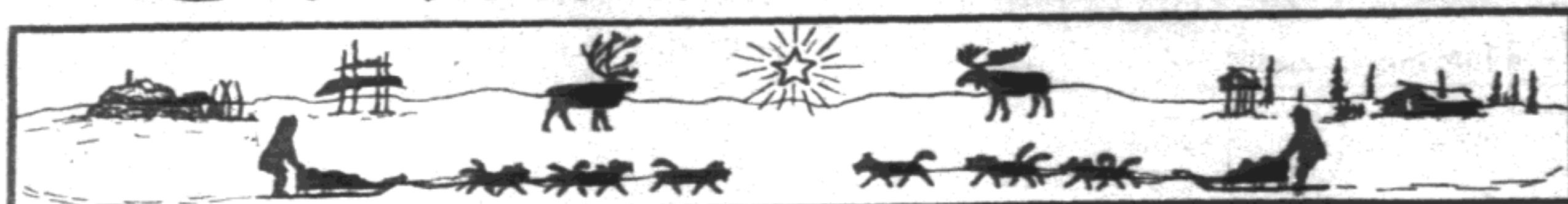


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## HUGE NATIVE CORPORATION SEEN AS ANSWER TO CLAIMS

### ANB Sceptical About Native Hiring by Oil

(Editor's Note: The Alaska Native Brotherhood Executive Committee released the following item concerning employment in the oil fields on the North Slope.)

By EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,  
ANB

The agreement signed by thirteen (13) unions, representatives of the Joint Crafts Committee on Oil, appears to be only a token offer whose purpose is to appease the Native People of Alaska.

There is no guarantee that this agreement will work.

At most, this agreement as it relates only to the present work on the oil fields, i.e., exploration, pioneer construction, and development of the petroleum industry, can only be considered a temporary measure to the present unemployment of the Alaskan Native Peoples.

The agreement must relate to year around jobs for the Natives when the oil fields reach the final stage of production.

The proposed employment phases itself out when the exploratory work ends as most of these job skills will no longer be needed by the exploiting companies who can then say the Natives are not trained for further employment.

As we look at it, the oil industry in Alaska is moving towards the same end experienced by the advent of the pulp mills which was vividly portrayed by Dr. George W. Rogers in his keynote address to the 56th Annual Convention of the Alaska Native Brotherhood in Juneau on November 11, 1968:

"The popular and official view on the expected impact upon the Native People of the expansion of forest products industries was stated by the

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**TALENTED YOUNG LADY**—Louisa Stine, 17, is going to represent the State of Alaska as a cross-country ski racer during the National Ski Championships at Alyeska this weekend. Louisa was born at Barrow, raised at Wiseman, and now attends high school in Fairbanks. Louisa is also showing talent in art. While attending school, she resides at the Hospitality House in Fairbanks. See story on page 5.

—THOMAS RICHARDS, JR. Photograph

## Sen. Committee Land Hearings May Come 6 to 8 Weeks Hence

Former Justice Arthur Goldberg and former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, will be meeting with the governing board of the Alaska Federation of Natives on Mar. 28 in Anchorage.

The talk is expected to be for the purpose of concluding arrangements for Justice Goldberg to represent the interests of the native people of Alaska in connection with the native

land claims.

Last week, Emil Notti, president of the AFN, John Borbridge, first vice president of the AFN and president of the Tlingit and Haida Central Council, and Robert Goldberg, son of the Justice, and who now resides

in Anchorage, made a trip to New York to confer with Goldberg.

"I would say basically he indicated his willingness to act as our counsel in the whole land claims," said Borbridge. "He

### Editorial—

## Beware of Rumors

Now that the land claims legislation in the Congress of the United States seems to be in the immediate offing, rumors of all kinds are beginning to flit back and forth from many corners. Most of them are apparently concerned with the native land claims. Many of them, if taken seriously, can be harmful to the unified effort sought by our people and which is needed at this time. Some of them seem to be of subtle nature aimed, perhaps, at creating a divisiveness among the native groups. All are rumors without public pronouncements that they are valid.

Many more of these rumors will be generated in the future and they should be taken for what they are—RUMORS—because, before being heard, they have not

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## Bulk of the Monetary Settlement May Come From Navy Pet. Res. 4

Last month on February 26-28, the governor's land task force met in Juneau to consider a new land bill.

Headed by its chairman, Joseph Fitzgerald, the Federal Field Committee for Development Planning in Alaska explained it's huge report, Alaska Natives and the Land, to the task force.

What came out of this meeting was the proposal by the Federal Field Committee for the land claims solution in Alaska and it came out in the form of a huge corporation that would be known as the Alaska Native Development Corporation.

The proposal also brought out a plan for monetary settlement the bulk of which would come from the Arctic North Slope area. The initial money payment would come from the U.S. Treasury in the amount of \$1 million for land uses lost in the past.

The rest, which would amount to about \$1 billion, would come from revenues from Petroleum reserve No. 4 in the Arctic Slope area.

Rep. Barry Jackson of Fairbanks told the special meeting of the board of directors of the Fairbanks Native Association last Saturday that the Federal Field Committee's idea was that the land claims solution should be a political settlement.

"The structure of the settlement would be a single statewide corporation—a regular business corporation," said Jackson. "It would be so large—so immense—that it would be one of the ten largest corporations in the world."

Frederick Paul, attorney for the Arctic Slope Native Association, in his report to ASNA said, "You will notice the yield of the land from which the entire statewide settlement will be paid come principally from the land of the Arctic Slope Native Association."

The Federal Field Committee proposal also made a strong indication that the Petroleum Reserve No. 4 would be opened for competitive bidding.

Fred Paul explained it in the following manner:

"... The second money payment would be, roughly speaking, ten percent of the monies payable to the State under the present existing formulas and 45 per cent of the revenues out of Pet 4.

"The theory is that as to the portion the State would thereby

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## FNA Potlatch To Be Held At Lathrop

The annual native potlatch, sponsored by the Fairbanks Native Association will be held on Saturday, March 22, at Lathrop High School. The event has been traditionally held in conjunction with the North American Championship Dogsled Races.

Gerald Ivey, President of the Fairbanks Native Association stated that FNA was expecting participants from all over the State.

The potlatch has always been one of the largest events in Interior Alaska. Last year there were 3000 persons in attendance.

Native dancers from across the State have indicated that they will perform during the potlatch. Areas represented by

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## Snowshoeing Champ Frank Confident Of Keeping Crown; Poohs Opponents

Defending champion of the Chiefs Snowshoe Race, Richard Frank of Minto, walked around town last week and expressed confidence that he can win the annual Chiefs race once again at the North American Championship Sled Dog Races grounds on March 22.

Richard Frank won the race going away last year leaving far behind such braggarts as Ralph Perdue, Emil Notti, and Don Wright.

Frank especially relished beat-

ing Ralph Perdue who finished about a lap behind the winner.

"That guy's ptarmigan feet that are supposed to make him light-footed sure didn't help him," said Richard Frank with something of a sneer. "What he needs is a pair of ptarmigan wings instead of feet and still I'll feed him my snow dust behind me."

Last year, Perdue had trained with ptarmigan feet attached to the front ends of his snowshoes. He had said that the oldtime

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